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SHEJECT:

Research Production Capability on Europe

1. In approving the transfer of the Europe Branch to the Soviet Branch and agreeing to the establishment of a new Soviet-Europe Branch, I as doing so with the explicit understanding that the Europe regional capability shall continue and shall not be eroded away in favor of work on the Soviet Union.

2. It will be the responsibility of both the Chief, Geography Division, and the Chief of the new Soviet-Europe Branch to insure that appropriate responses to requirements for support and self-initiated projects continue at required levels. To assure this capability, separate files will be maintained and updated on a continuous basis.

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